

WHITTON CLEARS STAFF OF FILTER PAPER CHARGES

Makes Statement In Rebuttal
Of Charges Of Publicity;
Harper States View

SITUATION REMAINS TENSE

In the face of definite charges from several quarters that undue publicity has been given to rumored publication of a *Filter Paper*, Beaumont H. Whitton '33, editor of THE TECH, made the following statement last night: "To the best of my knowledge there is no member of the staff of THE TECH connected in any way with publication of a *Filter Paper* and there is no one who has any interest in such publication other than its possible news value."

Whitton stated that it was his desire that the undergraduate body be entirely disillusioned concerning the interest of THE TECH in printing stories about the *Filter Paper* controversy. "There is no desire to give publicity to a venture which has been discouraged as thoroughly as has this one," he said, "but there is a lively interest amongst the students which it is the duty of THE TECH to keep informed as far as is possible."

A further statement in connection with the *Filter Paper* situation came last night in the shape of a letter-to-the-editor from James E. Harper, Jr. '32, former head of the *Voo Doo*. Harper's letter follows:

"Editor of THE TECH:

Dear Sir: From recent reports it seems that some bawdy sheet on the "type" of the *Filter Paper* will actually be issued. The most unfortunate part of this will be the dubious fate of the perpetrators.

In past years the *Filter Paper* has been issued by a society composed of the upper-classmen of Technology's four official publications. Most of it was good-natured razzing, and the effect of the 'borderline' material was minimized by the fact that the issue was sold only at the Institute. But, as always happens, some personal venom and stinking-of-filth material were outcroppings.

In spite of the fact that it is the initiates who have to do the 'dirty work' in putting out the *Filter Paper*, the mentioned society, for two reasons, has not published a *Filter Paper* the past two years: (1) Faculty tension over hurt feelings, sexy jokes, etc., as a result of past issues and the illegal nature of the publication itself, have made it prudent to let the matter 'slide' for a year or two; (2) Advertising and circulation of the official Institute publications had suffered reduced receipts as results of past *Filter Papers*.

"The Institute Committee, made aware of this, has voted that for this year it does not sanction the appearance of anything on the order of a *Filter Paper* in order that no possible conglomeration of students would attempt to put out an issue.

"One reason the Society put out the *Filter Paper* was to provide funds for administrative and social expenditures that would benefit the publications and their representatives and not require money to be taken from the treasuries of the former. The purported issue can obviously be for no other reasons than enjoying a suppressed desire of doing something 'under the hat' and to obtain the probable profits. The publications society does not claim the inherent right to issue *Filter Papers*, but it does believe that the issue of such is harmful at this time for the reasons stated, even granting the fact that some group may be able to do a fair job of it.

"The Institute Committee does not have the teeth to take direct action against student violators, but because of this resolution of the student governing body, the Faculty will in every way feel justified in taking expulsion action against those responsible for the issue. It will not take much detective work of an Institute Committee deputation to find out who they are.

(Signed) JAMES E. HARPER, JR. '32."

SCABBARD AND BLADE WILL HOLD BALL ON APRIL 8

Ranny Weeks Will Play For
Dance To Be Held At
University Club

HOLD SMOKER TONIGHT

Scabbard and Blade, honorary society of the Technology R.O.T.C. post, will hold their annual spring Military Ball on Friday, April 8. University Club, at Trinity Place, Boston, will be the site of the important affair. Ranny Weeks and his orchestra, who played for the Junior Prom, will supply music from 9 to 2 o'clock. Admission will be \$2.50 per couple.

Precedent May Be Changed

Previous to this year, new members of the Society were always designated at this ball by a tapping ceremony. The men thus chosen were decked out with ribbons and a ceremony was held, during which the candidates paraded under an arch of swords. But this year, Scabbard and Blade's management has other plans for their organization. They expect to pick out their candidates for membership during a review of the entire R.O.T.C. unit.

The aforementioned plan was advanced at a recent meeting of the military organization, but conclusive plans have not yet been arranged. Officials intimated, however, that the grand field review will probably be the method of selecting their prospective men.

Hold Smoker Tonight

Coffee and doughnuts and a dugout environment is promised for the smoker that Scabbard and Blade will have tonight in the Grill Room of Walker Memorial at 8 o'clock. Colonel Guthrie will speak at the gathering, and all members of the R.O.T.C. unit are invited.

FACULTY RESERVES ENTIRE HOUSE FOR "QUEEN'S HUSBAND"

Dramashop Production Given
Two Following Nights
For Public

FEW TICKETS STILL LEFT

Continuing its policy of supporting worthy student activities, the Faculty Club is sponsoring the opening performance of "The Queen's Husband," Dramashop's spring production, on Thursday night, April 7. The entire 150 seats of the Commons Room of Rogers Building have been purchased by the Club for the opening night. Tickets are offered by the organization to its members and their friends at 75 cents per ticket. Formal dress will be required on this opening night.

Amusing Entertainment

"The Queen's Husband," by Robert Emmet Sherwood, is an amusing satire on the position of a Royal family of the present day. In keeping with the high standards set in Mr. Sherwood's previous successes, including the "Road to Rome," and "Waterloo Bridge," "The Queen's Husband" is an interesting modern comedy. This play has never been produced professionally in Boston.

Tickets Still Available

On the Friday and Saturday nights following this premiere production, the play will be given for the benefit of the public at large. Seats for the Friday night presentation are nearly exhausted already. The Faculty Club was going to take the house for that night, until they learned that the demand for seats was so great that Dramashop would rather have them on Thursday. Tickets may be obtained for one dollar apiece, from any member of Dramashop, or from Professor Dean Fuller, in Room 2-176.

RICHARD S. MORSE IS NEW A. A. PRESIDENT; RUMSEY IS VICE-PRES.



RICHARD S. MORSE '33

S. A. E. SEES NEW FORD AT MEETING

Members Will Be Guests During
Special Preview Of
New Cars

All the details of the new eight- and four-cylinder Ford cars will be reviewed by Mr. C. A. Esslinger, New England manager of the Ford Motor Company, at a meeting sponsored by the Society of Automotive Engineers and the *Tech Engineering News*. This meeting will be held next Monday, April 4, at 3 o'clock, in Room 10-250. Roy C. Haeusler '32, chairman of the S.A.E., will preside.

It is expected that Mr. Esslinger will use movies to assist him in bringing out all the changes that have been made in the four-cylinder model, as well as the features of the new eight. Immediately after the lecture, there will be a new Ford on exhibition in Building 31. This exhibition and lecture will be open to all students.

Special Preview

The Society of Automotive Engineers' membership drive, which was postponed because of Mr. George Eastman's death, will be resumed today. As a special inducement to prospective members, all those who join today will be enabled to attend the closed exhibition to be given this afternoon for dealers and for prominent citizens in Boston. Since comparatively few persons will be permitted to attend this preview, it will be a much better opportunity to view the new cars than on Thursday, the announced date for public showing of the new cars. For the convenience of those wishing to join the Society and take advantage of the special showing, a representative of the Society will be stationed in the Main Lobby opposite Room 10-100 all day.

Of interest to those who plan to view the new Ford cars is the following announcement given out yesterday by Edsel B. Ford, president of the Ford Motor Company:

"In addition to our new eight-cylinder
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Beginning with the first issue in April, THE TECH will appear only twice a week, on Tuesday and Friday. This move has been necessitated by materially-reduced income of the paper in recent months.

ROGER P. CONGDON TO BE SECRETARY OF ORGANIZATION

Executive Committee Appoints
Robert M. Kimball As
New Treasurer

ELECTION MEETING BRIEF

Successful Candidates To Be
Installed At Special
Meeting

Richard S. Morse '33 was elected president of the M.I.T.A.A. for the ensuing year at a meeting of the association yesterday afternoon. At the same time, John D. Rumsey was chosen vice-president, and Roger P. Congdon '33, secretary.

Morse has been active in student affairs for some time. Previous to his election to the head of the Association, he had held a post in the Budget Committee and was manager of the cross-country team. Many other activities have claimed his attention, including the Beaver Key and Beaver Club, the Walker Club, the Circus Committee, and class track teams. A graduate of Worcester Classical High School and the Suffield Preparatory School, Morse enrolled in Course VI-C. His home is in Worcester. He is a member of the Theta Chi Fraternity.

The newly-elected vice-president is a native of Duluth, Minn., living at present in the Delta Upsilon fraternity. A graduate of the Duluth Central High School, Rumsey is a member of Course III. He has been basketball manager for the past season as well as secretary of the Mining and Metallurgy Society. A member of the freshman swimming team in 1930, Rumsey was subsequently elected to the Beaver Key and Beaver Club.

Congdon is likewise a member of Theta Chi, hailing from East Greenwich, R. I. Before his election to the secretary's post, he was manager of the hockey team and a member of the Points System Committee. Congdon is a graduate of Passaic State High School in New Jersey, and the Deerfield Academy.

In addition to these elections, Robert M. Kimball '33 was appointed to the post of treasurer by the Executive Committee. He previously served as assistant treasurer.

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"Am I Sorry" Theme Note of Humble Letter to Prexy

The murky darkness about the entrance to Building 8 veiled the features of the man descending the steps. A guileless freshman, seeking refuge from the rain, shouted with the authority that only freshmen can attain, "Hey, you, is that door open?" "Why, why, it was when I came out," was the startled and meek reply. The frosh approached, to see whom he had so easily subdued, when what should the thinning Cambridge fog reveal but the features of our beloved Prexy. The latest reports to THE TECH state that the bewildered youngster is coining a letter begging forgiveness from a hiding-place in the depths of Charlestown.

CATHOLIC CLUB IS FEDERATION MEMBER

Contrary to previous announcement to the effect that the Technology Catholic Club is not officially a member of the national organization of college Catholic clubs, John A. Finnerty '32, president of the Club, stated that the Club has a membership in the national body.

Committee Announces Details As Students Await Night Of Carnival

LARGE VARIETY OF FEATURES OFFERED

Plaque To Be Given To Group
Having Best Exhibit
In Carnival

In the spring a young Technology student's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of popcorn and red lemonade. Ladies and gentlemen, the long-awaited and much-heralded original and only genuine Tech Circus is in town. Tomorrow night at 7.30 o'clock, the doors of the Armory will be thrown open to the throngs of pleasure-seekers bent on forgetting for a few short hours every thought of "Triple E," low grades and Saturday quizzes.

All the details of the annual carnival were announced by the Circus Committee yesterday. Everything from silhouette movies to a contest in accuracy in expectation has been included. A plaque donated by the M.I.T.A.A. will be awarded to the group having the best exhibit or concession.

Motion Pictures

Motion pictures of a nature not disclosed will be exhibited by the Phi Mu Delta fraternity. Kappa Sigma will have a fortune teller, without which no circus would be complete. Sigma Alpha Mu will have a duck pond, and at the booth operated by Phi Beta Epsilon house, those who feel reckless may try their hand at pitching pennies.

Cigarettes will be awarded to sharpshooters at the shooting gallery to be run by the Theta Delta Chi fraternity, and at the booth of the Delta Kappa Epsilon house, experts in the gentle art of spitting will receive their reward.

Voo Doo Secretive

Girls have been engaged for the silhouette movies which Dramashop will sponsor. *Technique* will run a game of skill; the T.C.A. will be on hand with hot dogs and peanuts and T.E.N. will run a free lunch counter and bar. *Voo Doo*, to be different, has refused to divulge the nature of its concession but promises that it will be unique and interesting.

Residents of the Dormitories plan to run a chariot race and two ball-throwing affairs, in one of which the effigies of professors will serve as targets. THE TECH will operate its famous bar, as usual.

Silver Cups for Winners

As the feature of the evening, Steve Passas, world's light-heavyweight wrestling champion, will present two exhibition bouts which, the Committee states, will be full of action. Steve will also offer to take on all-comers and silver cups will be awarded to anyone who goes the time limit with him.

An attempt was made to organize a group of students at the Rogers Building to operate a concession at the Circus, but a sufficient number of interested students could not be found, though several intend to be present tomorrow night.

It was erroneously stated in THE TECH that there would be no admission charge at the Circus. The Committee states that a fee of 25 cents is necessary to insure the financial success of the carnival and to aid in excluding those who are not entitled to admission. It is felt that this small amount will not deter any student from attending, and that the entertainment will warrant the price.

Admission to the various concessions will be by tickets which will be sold at the door. Students may be required to show their Bursar's cards for identification at the door. Groups having booths at the Circus should have a representative at the Armory this afternoon to arrange for space.

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WE BECOME A BI-WEEKLY

BEGINNING with the first issue of next week, THE TECH becomes a bi-weekly. This move is forced by a materially-reduced income from advertising. While the number of subscriptions has been maintained at the level of previous years and cash sales have shown a steady upward trend, income from advertising has steadily declined, until now it is felt that the omitting of one issue a week is the proper step to keep the present volume from showing a deficit at its close.

It is not to be construed that interest in this undergraduate activity is declining. On the contrary, staff enthusiasm is at a higher level than at any time in previous years and the paper is rendering a better service to its readers. However, when advertising is not to be obtained under any condition, it is impossible for men with only part time to devote to solicitation to supply an income large enough to maintain the paper as a tri-weekly.

It is hoped that this latest move will be only a temporary one, and that we shall soon return to three issues a week; however, if this is impossible, THE TECH will continue to supply news to its readers as a bi-weekly.

IT'S A PLAIN CASE

ON February 25, in regular session, the Institute Committee passed a motion which was presumed to settle all discussion regarding possible division of the available space on the third floor of Walker Memorial. Since that time, five weeks ago tomorrow, the office left vacant by the defunct Tech Show has stood unoccupied.

The matter of room assignments has been delegated to the Walker Memorial Committee with power to enforce the division as decided upon. Five weeks is four weeks too long for a few activities to move their offices, even if further discussion was to have been permitted. The Walker Memorial Committee is plainly shirking its duty and is to be censured for its inactivity.

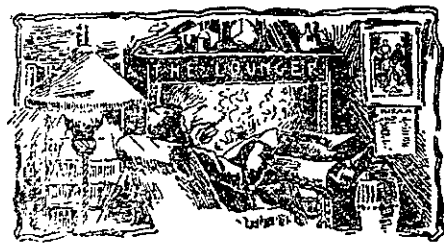
THE UNTOUCHABLES

THE caste of the "untouchables" is not confined to India alone, for that downtrodden and oppressed group inhabits Technology for certain portions of the day. So-called by a member of the Administration at Harvard, these "untouchables," better known as commuters, are present at every institution of higher learning located in or near a metropolitan area. Generally their plight is the same as that of those at the Institute.

Forming what has been estimated as a third of the student enrollment at the Institute, they make up a negligible portion of those taking part in extra-curricular activities, with the possible exception of athletics. By far the majority of men holding major positions in undergraduate life are those who live either in the Dorms or in fraternity houses. The "untouchable" is seldom found engaged in activity work after the regular class hours are over.

No doubt this condition is due to the fact that most of them spend two hours, more or less, in getting to and from Cambridge, each day. However, another potent reason lies in the lethargic attempts made to interest these men in activities. Cut off in a large measure from participation in campus life, they form a class which no one attempts to reach and which to a large extent has but slight contact with Dormitory and fraternity residents. Thus there is present at Technology fully a third of the student body whose contribution to student life is nil.

The problem of the commuter's relations to the remainder of the student group is one which deserves the attention of all of us, commuters and resident students alike. Some means by which these men who form a large part of the Institute can be made to feel less like a foreign element must be reached to prevent the growth of a group division of the undergraduate body.



Gently, gently waft the gentle breezes wafting gently through the gentle window, bringing gentle thoughts of gentle spring, so gentle, gentle and gentle, which gets no one no place, gently. And this, perhaps is just as well.

The inevitable results of spring are all about us, one of which is Easter, and that also, is just as well. The new suit we saved so heroically from last spring is once more taken out of the mothballs and other preservatives and put back into use. All the technical-minded ones with the subtle spark of romance flaming within them stop their eternal twiddling with fidgets and gadgets and come out in the open air, breathing deeply and gasping, "Ah, spring is here!" But this is not so well.

To date, the Lounger has not caught his roommate sighing and writing odes, odiously (whoops, sorry), but the influence is there, undoubtedly. Only yesterday (ah, was it *only* yesterday?), he broke down and came out with a dweat bid manly pipe.

Reminiscent of the same insidious influence, is the reaction of a very rah-rah little freshman by the name of Brown whom the Phi Gam's did *not* get, but who may be seen beaming about the halls as bright as any little man by those who observe such things and don't believe 'em. Well, to get along with it, our little hero was crossing the street and managed to get out of the way of a most snotzy Cadillac containing an equally smooth girl, both of which almost, but not quite, ran him down.

Perching on the curb, he looked wistfully after the receding twain, and exclaimed, "Oh, mama, buy me two of those, one to play with and one to break." — Well, the idea is there.

This undoubtedly will remind someone of the fact that if all the remarks about freshmen and spring were to be laid end to end, in the words of innumerable after-dinner speakers, it would be a very good thing, indeed.

Strolling down the Esplanade yesterday to view filings of all the new Easter frocks, the Lounger noticed a large standard bearing a legend (not Excelsior), proclaiming the rules and regulations of the Charles River Basin and adjuncts.

Now the Lounger had always been under the impression, mistaken, perhaps, that the Esplanade was like a game of water polo, that all was fair in — in, ah, well, the Esplanade — and so stopped to see just what the restrictions were.

To his vast relief, he found nothing of importance but proclamations against roller skating on the Lord's Day and such, except for one notice about power boats approaching bridges over the Basin.

Under this clause, any boat so approaching shall toot or cause to be tooted four or more toots, probably to see if the bridge will toot back. The Lounger breathed easier, in fact he felt jubilant, he was within the law, if only unwittingly. Even the other night, he had successfully tooted all the way to and from a certain bridge, and under power, at that.

It is with favor one notices the swing to electioneering by the undergraduate leaders (don't laugh, boys). One has always wondered just what would result if the campaign speeches which now go whispered about the halls, were to be spilled openly. You know? — "And if elected" — and then it comes. Undoubtedly some action would have to be taken against the commercial exploitations of concerns like the Lux people.

The Lounger is indeed willing to bet a pretty penny that their advertising slogan for the Tech territory would become — "A soap-box for every corner." But this, of course, is all hypothetical.

Dramashop To Present Sherwood's "The Queen's Husband" April, 7, 8, 9

All Tickets Sold For First Night's Presentation Of This Play

If 1932 is a hard year for all financial undertakings, it certainly has been partial to the Dramashop. Depression or no depression, the popularity of this Institute activity seems to have weathered the blast with flying colors, for Emerson P. Hempstead '34, publicity manager of the Dramashop, announces that the entire floor has been sold out for the first night's performance of "The Queen's Husband," Robert E. Sherwood's comedy in three acts, to be presented in the Commons Room of Rogers, April 7, 8, and 9.

History of Dramashop

The Dramashop is an activity for students who are interested in the production and acting of plays. Its organization has been, from the start, a highly informal one. The only requisites for membership are an interest in the drama and a willingness to work. The Dramashop has no lofty ideals; its aim is not to uplift the theater or to act as a dramatic laboratory, but rather to provide, by the presentation of plays within its scope, amusement and experience to its members, and, it hopes, to its audience. The Dramashop has always been a self-supporting activity; when it fails to be a financial success, it will cease to exist.

The Dramashop was informally organized in May, 1927. In October of that year it began work on its first production, "The Hairy Ape," by Eugene O'Neill,

which it presented in December. The venture was a successful one from the outset, and encouraged by the enthusiasm shown and a small profit gained, the Dramashop immediately laid plans for producing Charles S. Brooks's "At The Sign of The Greedy Pig," a comedy of beggars. The season closed in an encouraging manner with the approbation of its audience and a balance in the bank.

The Dramashop next presented "The Show-Off," and American comedy by George Kelly, which was staged in December, 1928. It was this year that the Dramashop left, for the first time, the Commons Room in Rogers to present, in cooperation with the Tech Show, the one-act play by Holland Hudson, "Action". The season closed with the production of two one-act plays, "Helena's Husband," and "M. Patelin."

Continuing its program of plays of recognized artistic merit, the Dramashop gave Cobb's "Miles McCarthy" (1929-30), followed by a Russian play, "Marriage," by Nicolai Gogol, and a revival of Moliere's famous "Georges Dandin," in the season of 1930-31. The last production to date was Booth Tarkington's, "Mr. Antonio." This play was received with a great ovation.

The Dramashop is now busy putting the finishing touches on Sherwood's, "The Queen's Husband." Tickets for this play are now on sale at the T.C.A. office, from members of the Directing Board, or in Room 2-176. All tickets for the first night, April 7, are sold out, but there are still some left for April 8 and 9.

As We See the MOVIES

METROPOLITAN

"Girl Crazy"

"Girl Crazy," George Gershwin's Broadway hit, is featured, in somewhat emasculated form at the "Met" this week. The concurrent cinematographic attraction is "Broken Wings," with Leo Carillo and the fiery Lupe Velez.

This week's stage show is as good as the average, perhaps better. The ensembles are decidedly better than the average. But to advertise it as the same show as that which ran on Broadway is misleading, for it is obviously not the same show. The cast is third-rate, and most of the dialogue has been cut in favor of ensembles and musical numbers; what remains is really a vaudeville setting of some of Gershwin's numbers. It's fairly good vaudeville, but it's not Broadway.

The picture forms a quite satisfactory starring vehicle for Lupe, with Leo in an unsympathetic role, as is his wont. He loves Lupe; then a young American drops out of the sky; the story unfolds, Lupe flies off with the American, and Leo rides off into the sunset. Very conventional, but well done.

C. W. S.

R.K.O. KEITH-BOSTON

"Hotel Continental"

"Hotel Continental," the screen feature at the R.K.O. Keith-Boston Theater, appears to have been suggested by the passing of the old Waldorf Hotel in New York, and one of the settings is a careful reproduction of the lobby of that famous hostelry. The entire action of the story takes place in the hotel on the night before it goes into the hands of wreckers to make room for a new office building. Although the idea is interesting, it needs punch in development, primarily due to a lack of brilliancy in the cast. Despite this fault, it remains somewhat of a novelty and is worth seeing.

On the last night of its existence, Hotel Continental houses a mixed throng of "whoopie" makers. Jack Bennett, played by Theodore von Eltz, once known as "The Boy Embezzler," just released after

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History of Science's Master Key Outlined in Technology Review

Spectroscopy Useful To Reveal Secrets at Extremes of Nature's Scale

Spectroscopy, the "master key of science," is discussed in the leading article of the April *Technology Review*, just out. It is an abstract of a talk recently delivered at the Institute by Henry N. Russell, of the Mount Wilson Observatory.

Dr. Russell traces briefly the development of Spectroscopy, from Newton down; he then tells how it has been used in modern science, especially in investigating the stars and the atoms, extremes of size in the universe. Some practical applications are also discussed.

Two German professors discuss the educational problems facing the German engineer. Since the great German engineering colleges have all been founded within the last hundred years, the engineers in Germany have had a hard struggle for political and social recognition.

In the section headed "Trend of Affairs," appears a description of a modern use of gunpowder as an industrial source of power, some notes about metal veneers which have received newspaper publicity lately, and a discussion of cryogenics.

For the benefit of those Alumni who may not have seen the papers, the recent administrative changes are described, and thumbnail sketches of the three new deans are given.

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	No. holding Loans	Average Rating Loan Holders	No. holding Scholarships	Average Rating Schol. Holders
SENIORS.....	142**	3.41	112 **	3.69
(upper third of Seniors: 3.53 to 5.00)			(upper quarter of Seniors: 3.70 to 5.00)	
JUNIORS.....	124 **	3.42	96 **	3.76
(upper third of Juniors: 3.38 to 5.00)			(upper quarter of Juniors: 3.55 to 5.00)	
SOPHOMORES...	94	3.32	101	3.62
(upper third of Sophomores: 3.25 to 5.00)			(upper quarter of Sophomores: 3.43 to 5.00)	
FRESHMEN.....	7	3.49	15	3.87
(upper quarter of Freshmen: 3.44 to 5.00)			(upper quarter of Freshmen: 3.44 to 5.00)	
Totals.....	367	3.39	324	3.70
(upper third of ALL Undergraduates: 3.36 to 5.00)			(upper quarter of ALL Undergraduates: 3.54 to 5.00)	
* Exclusive of 15 holders of Cambridge Scholarships who averaged 3.30; and 13 women holding scholarships awarded from special funds who averaged 3.48.				
** Exclusive of men in Coöperative courses who were not in residence at Cambridge during First Term and for whom grades were not reported.				

POLL OF COLLEGES SHOW NO INTEREST IN FROSH CONTROL

Brooklyn Paper Finds Only Ten Out Of Fourteen Colleges Have Rules

INTEREST IS ON WANE

Freshman regulations still exist in ten of the fourteen colleges and universities, replying to a questionnaire circulated recently by the *Reporter*, weekly paper of the Brooklyn Polytechnical Institute. The four other schools indicated that they had completely abolished the placing of restrictions upon first-year men.

New York University has Freshman Rules enforced by the Sophomore Class, whose action is backed by the Student Council. Theodore A. Distler, director of the Evening School, reports that "We have had very little difficulty since the Senior Class has assumed charge of supervising all Sophomore-Freshman Class competitions."

At Lehigh University no rules are officially recognized, but certain traditional customs are enforced by a Sophomore council composed of representatives from the fraternities and other resident groups. In his reply, Dean McConn stated that "interest in Freshman Regulations has fallen off rapidly here in recent years. The past Sophomore Class has definitely proposed the abandonment of Freshman Rules for the future with the exception that the new men shall be requested, but not required, to wear the traditional caps, ties, and socks."

Lafayette rules for first-year men are under the supervision of a junior society, whose duty it is to see that hazing is kept within bounds. In answering the questionnaire, administrative officials indicated that they are attempting to limit this phase of Sophomore activity. Regulations at the University of Cincinnati are recognized tacitly, but not officially. They are enforced by a Sophomore committee headed by a Senior.

At Rensselaer Polytechnical Institute any sort of restriction is strictly prohibited by the administrative heads. Students entering the Institute must sign a pledge which reads: "I hereby solemnly promise that I will not take part in any hazing of any character of any student, and that I will not attempt to make, print, or enforce any rule regarding the conduct, actions, or apparel of any student of the Institute."

Several other colleges, including the University of Rochester, Brown University, Armour Institute of Technology, John Hopkins University, and the Worcester Polytechnical Institute indicated that freshman rules are still enforced, but that interest in them appears to be waning.

RICHARD S. MORSE IS NEW A. A. PRESIDENT

Successful Candidates To Be Installed At Meeting

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urer and is a member of the Beaver Key and Beaver Club. A native of Lawrence, Mass., Kimball is a graduate of Andover and lives in the Dormitories.

The new officers of the Association will be installed in office at the next meeting. They will take charge immediately afterwards and from then on will have entire supervision of athletics at the Institute. Until their installation, they are expected to attend all meetings of the Institute Committee.

FOOLHARDY PILOTS IMPERIL INSTITUTE

Spring is vaguely in the air again, and has had its usual stimulation on the Boston Aeronauts. In the last two weeks, the number of pilots who loop and roll their planes over the Institute and its environs has increased noticeably.

Most foolhardy of the stunts taking place recently was the action of a gentleman flying a Curtis Junior airplane over the School last week. For half an hour this intrepid aeronaut flew his small conveyance back and forth over the Institute buildings and the apartment buildings on Memorial Drive at altitudes ranging from fifty to two hundred feet.

Had this worthy soul gone into a spin, which seemed imminent time and again, he would have had no time to recover. But he calmly tempted fate for thirty minutes.

Department of Commerce rules state that unless landing or taking off, all aircraft shall maintain an altitude of at least 1500 feet over populated districts.

Members of the Aeronautical Faculty, when questioned were indifferent to the matter, holding that the flyers were jeopardizing only themselves.

And the stunting continues.

SPORTS DESK

Chi Phi shellacked Phi Kappa Sigma, winner of last year's fraternity basketball title, by a 21-12 score in one of the semifinals last night. Dick Bell, jumping center for the winners, showed his versatility as an athlete by tearing down the court in about two seconds flat and sinking several pretty baskets. The victors will meet the Sigma Chi terrors in the fraternity final, and the winner of that game will take on Jack Lynch's Nichols gang, Dorm champions, in Walker, on April 9.

Dorm bowling came to an end last night with a victory for Bemis, of the new Dorms, which defeated Runkle 1344 to 1311 in three strings. Al Bowen was high man for the winners, who were behind at the start. This year's bowling league was a great success; the races in both old and new Dorms were close, and every match attracted a good-sized crowd.

Gardner S. Robinson, the new lacrosse coach, had better think up a way to attract freshmen. So far there are only about five of them cavorting around on the Coop Field. It takes twelve to make a team, so something will have to be done soon, the first game coming in about a month. But what to do? The sport will count for "P.T." if they get a full team, and no previous experience is necessary; that ought to be enough to get a big bunch out. Wonder what the price of a lacrosse stick is? — maybe it's the depression.

The varsity stickmen swing into action against Harvard on Circus Day, with only about two weeks of practice. They lost that Boston Lacrosse Club tussle pretty badly, but maybe the return of Sysko, Lawton, and White, who just love condition exams, will be enough to give them the edge over the Crimson. But "Shorty" Hale's men had better watch out — playing on April Fool's Day.

Liquor Course

The University of Paris now has a course entitled "The Application of Red Wines and Liqueurs."

Coach Neudorf Will Take Gym Team Men To Intercollegiates

Gymnasts Entrain For Annapolis Tomorrow. Meet Takes Place Saturday

With a total complement of three men going, in addition to the coach and the manager, the M.I.T. Gym Team travels South to enter in the Eastern Intercollegiate Gym Team League. The meet takes place at Annapolis, with the Naval Academy acting as host, and takes place on Saturday at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon.

Navy is well prepared to act as the locale of the 1932 Intercollegiates, for the gymnasium has been completely refinished on the interior and a full set of new apparatus has been installed. The Technology team entrains for Maryland tomorrow and will be the guest of the Academy until the meet.

Three Men Make Trip

Only three men are representing the Institute this year at Annapolis. They will be the only men going because the others are not considered up to the peak of the performance met with at Intercollegiates. These men will be Ericson (captain of the Engineer team), Getting, and Treadwell.

Captain Ericson will contend in the parallel bars and on the rope climb. Ericson is the third highest scorer of the entire league, being eclipsed only by Curtze, who took the highest number of points for Navy, and by Schotzberger of Springfield College, who made second place. Both of these men beat Ericson by very slight margins. The Engineers' score was 70 points. In earning this record Ericson had to make seven first places on the parallel bar and five first places on the rope climb. This is Ericson's last year with the Institute team, and it is expected that he should stand high in the Intercollegiates.

Getting on Side Horse and High Bar

Working for Technology on the side horse and on the high bar will be Getting of the Technology varsity team. Although Getting's work so far for Technology has not been especially spectacular, he has been throughout the year a consistent performer. Most of his scores have been decreased by hard luck caused by his series being broken. Getting, it will be noted, is one of the Edison scholarship students.

Treadwell will perform on the rings and on the parallel bars. This man, a very consistent performer, has not made any spectacular work although he has placed second or third in every meet the Institute has entered this year.

Abbot Cannot Compete

It was thought for a time that Abbott would be sufficiently recovered to take part in the tumbling event, but the injuries received earlier in the year compel his remaining home.

Gym Had Successful Season

In reviewing the gym team season as a whole, it can be seen that Technology has

done a good job, notwithstanding the loss of three of the best men, occasioned by injuries, studies, and transference to other sports.

This year the winner of the league was Navy. The Institute ranked fifth in line in a field of eight member teams.

Coaches' and Managers' Meetings

On the morning of Saturday, April 2, there will be a meeting of the Intercollegiate League at which Calvin H. Mohr '33 will represent the Institute. At this meeting routine business will be covered, in addition to the question of admitting two new college teams, those of Panzer and Army. In addition to this, Coach Hans Neudorf will attend a special meeting of the coaches of the gym teams of the Eastern Intercollegiate Gym Team Association.

As We See The Movies

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five years in prison, comes to retrieve a fortune that he has hidden in one of the rooms. On the track of that same fortune are Tierney and Mills, assisted by Ruth, a pretty blonde decoy. She attracts Bennett, whose unforced generosity awakens her gratitude, finally her love, while he finds himself becoming more and more seriously interested in her. To Ruth, Bennett reveals the hiding-place of the money, but she, in a sudden revulsion of feeling, determines not to betray Bennett. In the end she turns the tables rather neatly on her accomplices, for Bennett's sake.

Johnny Perkins, 304 pounds of fun, is the vaudeville headliner this week; his jokes are as enlivening as his presence is solid.

R. B. W.

Oldest Dictionary

Among the acquisitions of the Columbia University library in the last year is the oldest dictionary extant in Japan. The book is a manuscript dating from 1181 A.D., covering 500 pages and containing 3,000 words.

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Prominent Sports Writer May Speak at Track Rally

Coach Oscar Hedlund announced last night that he may be able to secure a prominent sports writer on the staff of a large Boston newspaper as the guest speaker at the Track Rally which will be held in Room 3-270 at 5 o'clock tonight.


Coaches Hedlund and Bowie will go over the plans for the coming season, and interesting moving pictures will be shown. All men who intend to go out for track this spring should try to take in this meeting.

The prospects for a successful season are especially bright. Most of last year's winning team is back, but last year's freshman squad will make everyone of them hustle for his job. Yesterday's spring weather brought out the largest crew which has pounded the boards since last fall.

HUNT IS MANAGER OF 1932-33 BASKETBALL

Charles Jack Hunt, Jr. '34, of Larchmont, N. Y., was appointed manager of the 1932-33 basketball team on Monday evening, succeeding John D. Rumsey '33. Hunt is a student in Course XIII and a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

Lloyd E. Clark, Jr. '34, who shared the duties of assistant manager with Hunt this winter, very nearly tied the latter for the position. The merits of the two candidates were so nearly equal that much time was taken before a final choice could be made. In recognition of Clark's work, it was stated that if a vacancy in the managerial ranks of any sport were to appear, he would be given the position.



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OFFICIAL BULLETINS

OF GENERAL INTEREST

Physics and Physical Chemistry Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Wednesday, March 30, 4.30 p.m., Room 4-231
Lecture by Professor P. Debye on "X-Ray Scattering and Molecular Structure."

Thursday, March 31, 3.00 p.m., Room 10-200
Seminar, directed by Professor J. C. Slater. "Hund's New Papers Regarding Molecular Structure."
4.00 p.m.: Tea will be served in the Emma Rogers Room.

Thursday, March 31, 4.30 p.m., Room 4-231
Physical Colloquium. "Kerr Effect and Molecular Field in Rochelle Salt." Professor H. Muller.
Discussion led by Professor P. Debye.

Friday, April 1, 4.30 p.m., Room 4-231
Lecture by Professor P. Debye.

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Wednesday, March 30
4.30 p.m. — Lecture by Professor P. Debye in Room 4-231.
6.00 p.m. — A.I.E.E. Dinner, North Hall of Walker Memorial.
8.00 p.m. — Scabbard and Blade Smoker Grill, Walker Memorial.
Thursday, March 31
5.00 p.m. — Meeting of Radio Society in Room 10-275.
6.00 p.m. — Tech Masonic Clubs Dinner and Dance in Main Hall of Walker Memorial

Infirmiry List

A. LaCapria, Unl.
Frederick A. Ladd, Jr. '32
Edward Loewenstein '35
G. Roy Thompson '34

Brooks Hospital
Pierre S. DuPont '33

Mass. General Hospital
Oleg J. Dvornichenko '34

Undergraduate Notices

SOCCKER

A meeting of all those interested in soccer will be held this Friday at 5 o'clock in Room 2-151. The management expressly wishes every member of last year's freshman squad to report as well as any who are interested in the sport but who did not come out last fall. Coach Malcolm Goldie will be present and is anxious to try out as many new men as possible to fill several vacancies due to graduation this spring.

ALPHA PHI DELTA

The first term scholastic rating of Alpha Phi Delta fraternity which was not published when the others were issued was 2.71, as determined in accordance with the method used by the Registrar's Office.

As We Like It

COLONIAL THEATER

"The Devil Passes"

"The Devil Passes," by Benn W. Levy, now playing at the Colonial Theater, can undoubtedly be classed as one of the best plays to be presented in Boston this season, as well as one of the oddest. The principals are Arthur Byron, who plays the part of being the most wicked man in England, Diana Wynward, as the beautiful heroine, and Basil Rathbone, in the part of the devil.

After the preliminaries, the plot rapidly develops. The "devil" in the person of a Rev. Nicholas Lucy, suggests a game of truth wherein each person present at the weekend party declares what he or she "wants" most in the world. Naturally a variety of desires are expressed, varying from fame to a denunciation of God. The remainder of the play deals with a number of very interesting and peculiar scenes in which the "devil" makes it possible for everyone to obtain his desire. Strange to say, each person, in the final analysis, refuses the offer.

One of the most dramatic and well-played scenes portrays the minister, played by Robert Loraine, in his denunciation of God and his immediate collapse afterward. The minister's old-fashioned wife, played by Cecilia Loftus, was an excellent characterization, and added bits of humor at just the right moment.

The first part of the play reminds one of Shaw's plays, but as the plot progresses, the similarity disappears. All in all the production is highly recommended by the reviewer.

D. H. C.

The American • College Editor

Beginning of the End (Montana Kaimin)

Suppose you are the victim in one of those good old-fashioned melodramas wherein the hero is bound and gagged and placed squarely between the rails of a railroad track. Suppose a huge express train is rushing down upon you at full speed. Suppose you are aware that the train is coming; you are also aware of your inability to get out of its way. Imagine your feelings then, in the face of this imminent destruction.

That, oh reader, is the position of many a Senior upon this campus today. Fastened securely to his final quarter's schedule, the unfortunate prospective graduate helplessly awaits the onrushing arrival of the month of June — of Commencement. Struggle and fight as he will, he cannot escape. Inevitably, positively, the end is approaching; his college days are about ended.

It is said that when a man is about to die, he reviews in a few moments the events of his whole life. So, too, does the Senior, in his last short quarter at school, review in the shadow of his extinction the events of his four years' collegiate life.

Freshman days — daze. Green caps; irking compulsory classes; boring prerequisites; indifferent, unsympathetic profs. Sophomore year — acquired sophistication; assumed lack of interest; educational veneer. The search for entertainment — the avoidance of study.

The third year — a Junior! An awakened interest in learning — an appreciation of the unlimited opportunity for receiving an education and a knowledge of the ease with which that education can be passed by. A realization of the folly of wasting time.

And finally, the Senior year. A wider range of freedom in study, in expression. Worries over the future; regrets about the past. Pleasant memories — some not so pleasant. Awareness of personal lack of omniscience — omnipotence. Too, a feeling of futility.

Such is the Senior's flashed review of his college life. It is too late, he knows, to do anything about it now; another second of time and he will be shot out of college and into the eternity of a vocation. The speeding express train of graduation will have arrived.

Afterwards, perhaps, undergraduates will pick aimlessly over his remains; will hold up an occasional meritorious achievement for inspection and comment; will go briskly about the routine of grooming themselves to take his place in the affairs of the university. — V. H.

New Fraternity

A new fraternity has been formed and is sweeping the country like wild-fire, according to news in the Kent State publication. The organization is known as the Rho Dammit Rho fraternity and membership is open to both men and women. Seventy-six chapters have already been founded in the United States and Canada.

PROFESSOR MAGOUN WINS LITERARY PRIZE

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What are the causes of crimes? Are men criminals only because they are inherently bad? Or are there certain factors outside the individual which determine his character, for better or for worse?

In order to answer these questions, we must first determine what we really mean, says Dr. Thomas R. Fisher, professor of sociology at Syracuse University. "The idea of what constitutes criminality changes from time to time," Dr. Fisher told the *Orange* in an interview.

Crime is also determined by geography. "Anything," Dr. Fisher stated, "might definitely be a serious crime in this part of the country, but 150 to 200 miles away, it might be only frowned upon."

Behind many crimes can be found economic factors, the professor said. "When a depression hits a group, the plane of living immediately recedes. When the plane of living goes down, man must cut down on food, clothing, rent or amusement, or, unwilling or unable to do these things, he must resort to crime.

"As the result of the reduction in the expenditure for rent, in our tenements three persons are now living where two once lived. Delinquency has always been connected with crowded housing conditions. When a man is unemployed irritation arises easily amongst all members of the family owing to ill-health and worry. It is then that a man who has drunk usually drinks more. Again there is a high correlation between drunkenness and crime.

"During a period of prosperity, the standard of living is so high that the underprivileged, to attain to the upper standards, rely upon crime; bootlegging, racketeering and the like.

"We do not have so much seasonal crime, as Lombroso believed, but we do have cyclical crimes. If people can work to get what they want, they will get it in that manner; if not, they will use criminal acts as the means to that end. Because of financial troubles, and, to a lesser extent, because of consequent shortage of help, more fires occur during periods of depression than at any other period."

"Another factor is that of fraud. If the truth were known there are probably at the present time more university men in prison this year than ever before, since, in hard times illegalities otherwise easily concealed, cannot be longer hidden, or recompensed.

"It is hardly fair to analyze the cause of crime from the standpoint of immediate economic factors. The Baumes law almost forces a man to commit murder, because a man would rather murder a would-be captor than be captured and suffer life imprisonment.

"Especially in juvenile delinquency is it true that disrespect for police power is responsible for many crimes. This is fostered by the notion that if a policeman is not already a criminal he is the next thing to it. The fault lies here with the policeman and the political system under which he works.

"It is my personal opinion that we have far too many policemen. For example, any eighth-grade boy could put tickets on parked automobiles, but it seems to require a squad of policemen to do it."

If, then, behind every criminal deed there is a long chain of causes and effects over which the criminal had no control, what should be done with a man or woman declared guilty by the law?

"My notion," declared Dr. Fisher, "is that no prisoner should be incarcerated for the sake of punishment. I do not care particularly what the state does with hardened criminals, but killing him will not do him any good, or society any good. Every criminal should go to prison for curative purposes; if incorrigible he should be imprisoned for life.

"The idea of 'quarantining' a prisoner from society is insufficient, because in practice it does not serve to readjust the criminal to the laws of a social state. Prisoners should not be released until they are adjusted. Offenders should be sent to prison as we send patients to hospitals.

"I do not think the state is justified in capital punishment. The only justification the state could have would be to deter thereby any further crime, but this belief has many times been proved false.

"Capital punishment is contrary to all we have been taught. It is against the principle of 'Thou shalt not kill,' and the

Graduate Thesis Proposes Building Shortcut Subway Under Great Court

A. P. Wilks, '22 Gives Plans For
Tunnel Between Building
Two And Walker

Plans for building subway passages to connect Building No. 1 with Building No. 2, and Building No. 2 with Walker Memorial were chosen as the subject for a thesis by Archie P. Wilks '22, a graduate of the department of Civil Engineering ten years ago. Since that time nothing has been done to further this project.

Reasons for the construction of such underground passages, according to Mr. Wilks, are obvious to anyone who has been around the Institute during a spell of genuine New England weather. In walking from Building No. 1 to Building No. 2 indoors, as one is sometimes forced to do by meteorological conditions, the distance travelled is 2250 feet. By way of the proposed passage this distance would be reduced to only 350 feet.

Tunnel Would Help Freshmen

Compulsory Physical Training classes for freshmen are held in Walker Memorial gymnasium once a week. During bad weather, this fact means a four-hundred-foot walk through the storm for these men. There is no way for them to get to class under present conditions except by exposing themselves to the elements.

Lunch is eaten in Walker Memorial Dining Room every weekday by a large percentage of the students. Sometimes they must plow through snow or be sprayed by rain in order to get a meal.

Over six hundred men living in the Dormitories would be saved about half the distance they now have to walk outside in order to get to classes in the main building, if the proposed passageway were built. Also, there would be a marked difference in the time taken to get from classes in Building No. 1 to those in Building No. 2 during bad weather.

Heat Would Keep Walks Clean

Since the top of the tunnel could serve as a pavement between the buildings it connected, the heat from inside the passage would keep snow and ice from obstructing the surface paths.

Mr. Wilks pointed out that there is some room for argument as to where that portion of the tunnel connecting Buildings Nos. 1 and 2 should be located. The figures pertaining to distances that are quoted above are with reference to its being located at the extreme southern tips of these buildings, the route closest to the river. It was suggested, however, that the passage might accommodate more students if it were constructed so as to join the junction of Buildings Nos. 2 and 4 with that of Buildings Nos. 1 and 3.

Cost of engineering advice would be saved if it were decided to build the proposed tunnels, because complete construction specifications are given in Mr. Wilks' thesis.

Opinions on the question of whether this project should be undertaken have been solicited from some of the leaders in Institute affairs. Responses indicate that they think it utterly foolish.

Book Reviews

"Behemoth: The Story of Power," written by Eric Hodgins and F. Alexander Magoun, an associate professor at the Institute, was chosen by the Junior Literary Guild as the third best book to be written for the month of April. This book tells the Older Boys' group that James Watt didn't invent the steam engine, that Robert Fulton was not the first man to propel a boat by steam, and that George Stephenson's "rocket" was not the first successful locomotive. "Behemoth" is the story of great happenings in the world of power told in terms of the men who made them happen, beginning with the power provided by man and beast and concluding with the mighty machines of the present. Mr. Hodgins and Professor Magoun also collaborated on "Sky High," a history of aircraft, and their new book, "Behemoth," is said to be even more thrilling and spirited, scientific and dramatic. It is vividly illustrated with over seventy photographs showing every manner of power employed in the world today. The book is published by Doubleday, Doran and Company. The authors have not attempted to tell what is "wrong with the machine civilization," but have given their readers a good narrative of adventure in a physical, non-abstract world.

The book "Little House in the Big Woods," by Laura Ingalls Wilder, mother of Rose Wilder Lane, novelist, won first place in the Guild's choice. The story is autobiographical and tells of the life on a pioneer farm and the valiant efforts of the early pioneers in opening up the Northwest.

As second choice, the Guild picked "Two Children of Tyre," by Louise Andrews Kent. This book is one of the very few written for boys and girls concerning the ancient island city at the time of King Solomon. The story itself contains an absorbing account of the life of David and Esther, children of a vorturous Phoenician captain, and of David's experiences with the trading fleet.

Fourth of the April Junior Guild selections is May Lamberton Becker's anthology of stories entitled "Under Twenty."

"Golden Rule." The state kills about one out of every fifty murderers. It is contrary to the whole philosophy of Christianity. And principally because no good comes from it, there is no reason for the maintenance of such a punishment."

WILL PRESENT PAPER AT A. I. E. E. MEETING

Henry S. Duncan '32, student in Course VI, will present a paper on "Vertical Transportation," at a dinner meeting of the M.I.T. Student Branch of the A.I.E.E. tonight in the North Hall of Walker Memorial. Tickets are 55 cents and may be obtained in Room 4-203 or from any officers of the Society.

Duncan, who has worked with the Otis Elevator Company for several summers, will lead the discussion which will follow the presentation of his paper. The meeting will be over by 8 o'clock.

S. A. E. SEES NEW FORD AT MEETING

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